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Martha Says It's Teddy

WASHINGTON — (UPI) Martha Mitchell, who has recovered from a recent illness, is back on the political firing line again with the prediction that "Teddy Kennedy will get the Democratic presidential nomination."

In an interview yesterday, Mrs. Mitchell, wife of the former attorney general who now heads the committee to re-elect President Nixon, said that "regular Democrats can't tolerate" Sen. George McGovern.

"He's trying to make this country another Russia or China," she said.

Mrs. Mitchell said she has been receiving telephone calls from prominent Democrats—("the names I could give you would floor you") who will not vote for McGovern.

As for Nixon, "he's going to win big," she said.

Like most prominent Republicans these days, she won't say absolutely that Spiro T. Agnew has the vice presidential nomination in the bag.

"I don't know who will get it," she said, referring to both Agnew and former Treasury Secretary John B. Connally as possibilities. "We want the best man. I don't know who is the best man at this particular time."

She is very much caught up in the political campaign and says when it is all over "I am going to rock and rock."

H'mm .... What could have happened to change Martha's opinion of politics in the week between this interview and her call to Helen Thomas on June 22nd?

Sometimes it pays off to be so far behind in clipping.

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